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SUBJECT: OAS: REPLY TO CABLE FROM GARCIA BEDOYA

1. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT TO SECRETARY
GENERAL GARCIA BEDOYA THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE:

QTE HIS EXCELLENCY
QTE AMBASSADOR CARLOS GARCIA BEDOYA
QTE CHAIRMAN, SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE INTER-AMERICAN
SYSTEM AND TO PROPOSE MEASURES FOR RESTRUCTURING IT
QTE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

QTE EXCELLENCY:

QTE SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS ASKED ME TO REPLY TO YOUR
TELEGRAM OF JANUARY 17 IN WHICH YOU REQUEST THE VIEWS OF MY
GOVERNMENT CONCERNING A PROPOSED FOURTH MEETING ON MARCH 6,
1974, OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE INTER-AMERICAN
SYSTEM AND TO PROPOSE MEASURES FOR RESTRUCTURING IT.

QTE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS NO OBJECTION
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TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE DATE YOU SUGGEST.

HOWEVER, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE CONCENTRATE ITS ENERGIES ON COMPLETION OF A NEW FIRST DRAFT OF AMENDMENTS TO THE INTER-AMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE AND, IF TIME PERMITS, OF CHAPTER VI OF THE CHARTER OF THE OAS AND ANY PRINCIPLE OR PRINCIPLES (ART. 3 OF THE CHARTER) WHICH MIGHT BEAR ON THE QUESTION OF MUTUAL SECURITY. BECAUSE OF THE DESIRABILITY OF ALLOWING THE SECRETARIAT OF THE OAS AND ALL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO PREPARE FULLY FOR THE MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN APRIL, IT IS THE VIEW OF MY GOVERNMENT THAT THE MEETING SHOULD LAST NO LONGER THAN TWO WEEKS. THERE WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY THE PACT OF BOGOTA ON A LATER OCCASION.

QTE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, RENEWED ASSURANCES MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

QTE JACK B. KUBISCH, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS UNQTE

2. THE TEXT OF THE INCOMING CABLE FOLLOWS:

QTE HONORABLE HENRY A. KISSINGER
QTE SECRETARY OF STATE
QTE WASHINGTON, D.C. USA

QTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ME BY SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM AND TO PROPOSE MEASURES FOR RESTRUCTURING IT AT ITS THIRD STAGE OF MEETINGS IN LIMA, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOUR EXCELLENCY WOULD INDICATE TO ME WHETHER YOU WOULD HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE BEGINNING ITS FOURTH MEETING IN WASHINGTON MARCH 6, 1974, TO CONTINUE STUDYING THE INTER-AMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE, THE CHAPTER ON COLLECTIVE SECURITY IN THE CHARTER NOW IN FORCE, AND ALSO PRINCIPLES ON DEFENSIVE SOLIDARITY, AND TO INITIATE CONSIDERATION OF THE PACT OF BOGOTA.

QTE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, RENEWED ASSURANCES MY HIGHEST UNCLASSIFIED

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CONSIDERATION.

QTE CARLOS GARCIA BEDOYA
QTE CHAIRMAN, SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM AND TO PROPOSE MEASURES FOR RESTRUCTURING IT UNQTE RUSH

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